



Meeting Name: Town Council Meeting
Meeting Date: February 25, 2026
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Item Title: Caretta Project Gateway Art

BACKGROUND:

On August 24, 2022, the Town Council approved Resolution No. 2022-09, to allow the development of the Caretta Project, located at the northwest corner of US Highway One and Donald Ross Road. Condition number 23 states that “the applicant shall obtain Town Council approval of the design of the fountains and art located in the public plaza area of the property prior to their installation”. Construction of the project has been ongoing since May of 2024. On December 17, 2024, Town Council reviewed the first submittal of the art and two fountains. Council voted to approve the plans for the two fountains and denied the design for the art. The applicant worked with Friends of the Art during the public engagement process, Request for Proposals (RFP), and provided recommendations on the RFP. The applicant is now providing an updated art design from a local artist selected by RFP.

DISCUSSION:

The applicant is providing a proposed abstract art structure designed by Eugene Perry, West Palm Beach professional metal sculptor, to serve as a gateway feature for the site. As depicted in the applicant’s proposal, the sculpture is inspired by an infinity ribbon and features smooth, continuous curves intended to convey movement and flow. The artwork explores balance and contrast through a blend of engineered geometry and organic form and is proposed to be fabricated in stainless steel for durability and longevity within the coastal environment. The sculpture is intended to complement the surrounding architecture and landscape while strengthening the identity of the gateway plaza and enhancing the overall public realm experience.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Town Council review and discuss the proposed Caretta Gateway public art feature.